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## REPORT OF THE CURATOR OF THE WM. S. VAUX COLLECTIONS.

The Curator of the Wm. S. Vaux Collections respectfully reports to the Council of the Academy of Natural Sciences that the systematic arrangement of the collections has been completed. A catalogue has yet to be made and a portion of the labeling finished. The entire collection is now in a condition to be opened for inspection and study.

It may be hereafter found desirable to rearrange some of the specimens, so that those from the same locality be brought into closer proximity; but this can be attended to hereafter.

On the 15th of August the arrangement and classification were commenced. The Council of the Academy having made an appropriation to defray necessary expenses, Mr. G. Howard Parker, to whom acknowledgment is due for valuable services, was engaged as an assistant, and acted in that capacity until the 15th of September.

For the expenses of arrangement, reference is made to the report of the Treasurer of the Academy.

The collection has been arranged in seven upright cases, marked from A to G, and thirty-nine horizontal cases, numbered from 1 to 39. They are made of Honduras mahogany, each having four drawers, securely fastened with Yale locks. They are as nearly dust-proof as possible, and the workmanship is entirely satisfactory.

The archæological part of the collection occupies five of the upright cases, marked from A to E, and five of the horizontal, marked from 1 to 5. The specimens number (counting arrow-heads and small implements by trays as one piece) two thousand four hundred and forty-five (2445), arranged in groups according to locality. They consist of stone axes, hatchets, celts, hammers, pestles, balls, shovels, hoes, arrow-, spear- and lance-heads, discoidal or Chunkee stones, ceremonial implements, copper and bronze axes, mound pottery; Indian, Mexican, Peruvian, Costa Rican, Roman and Carthaginian antiquities.

The localities represented are: Italy, Switzerland, Germany, France, Sweden, Denmark and Ireland, and America, from Maine to Florida and from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast, with Mexico, Peru and Costa Rica; with a few implements of the Esquimaux and the South Sea Islanders. They include specimens of the palæo-

lithic and neolithic periods, of the work of the cave and lake dwellers, the mound builders, ancient Mexicans, Peruvians and Indians of America, and from the kitchen-middens of Denmark.

The mineralogical part of the collection has been arranged and classified under the system of J. D. Dana, 5th edition, 1869. It embraces 5302 specimens, representing 466 species or groups, all mounted in trays and labeled.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JACOB BINDER,

*Curator.*

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